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In re Application of: Timothy SCHWEIKERT

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

It is requested that the reference(s) listed on the attached Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Patent Examiner in connection with the aboveidentified application and be made of record therein.

Items 2 and 3 were received by the undersigned from a third party on August 29, 2003. Applicants believe that the cited patent reflects the product shown in Item 2. As can be seen from Fig. 2 of the cited patent, tubular members 201, 202 are fixedly connected with each other along their lengths, and are not split, as claimed in Claims 36 and 37of the present application.

Enclosed is a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d) and payment of fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) for consideration of the prior art reference(s).

Certification Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)(2)

I hereby certify that no item in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to my knowledge after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

Independent consideration and acknowledgment of the listed reference(s) are

respectfully requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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